Representative Hall, Atlanta, Georgia

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

Sixth Legislative Day

The House met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 o'clock, A.M., this day and was called to order by the Speaker.

The roll was called and the following Representatives answered to their names:

Abrams	Cooke	Hatchett	Mitchell	Smith, M
Alexander	Coomer	Hawkins	Mosby	Smith, R
Allison	Corbett	E Henson	Nimmer	Spencer
Atwood	E Dawkins-Haigler	Hightower	Nix	Stephens, M
Ballinger	Deffenbaugh	Hitchens	Pak	Stephens, R
Barr	Dempsey	Holcomb	Parrish	E Stephenson
Battles	Dickerson	Holmes	E Parsons	Stovall
Beasley-Teague	Dickey	Houston	Peake	Stover
Belton	Dickson	Howard	Petrea	Strickland
E Bennett, K	Dollar	Hugley	Pezold	Tankersley
Bennett, T	Douglas	Jackson	Pirkle	Tanner
Bentley	Dudgeon	Jasperse	Powell, A	Tarvin
Benton	Dunahoo	Jones, J	Powell, J	Taylor, D
Beskin	Duncan	Jones, J.B.	Price	Taylor, T
Beverly	Ealum	E Jones, L	Pruett	Teasley
Blackmon	Efstration	Jones, S	Quick	Thomas, A.M.
Broadrick	Ehrhart	Kaiser	Raffensperger	Thomas, E
Brockway	England	Kelley	Rakestraw	Trammell
Bruce	Epps	Kendrick	Ramsey	Turner
Bryant	Evans	Kidd	Randall	Waites
Buckner	Fleming	Kirby	Reeves	Watson
Burns	Fludd	Knight	Rhodes	Welch
Caldwell, J	Frazier	LaRiccia	Rice	E Weldon
Caldwell, M	Frye	Lott	Rogers, C	Werkheiser
Cantrell	Gardner	Lumsden	Rogers, T	Wilkerson
Carson	Gasaway	Mabra	Rutledge	Wilkinson
Carter, A	Gilligan	Marin	Rynders	Willard
E Carter, D	Glanton	Martin	Scott	Williams, A
Chandler	Gordon	Maxwell	Sharper	Williams, C
Cheokas	Gravley	Mayo	E Shaw	Williams, E
Clark, D	Greene	McClain	Sims	Williamson
Clark, H	Harden	Meadows	Smith, E	Yates
Clark, V	Harrell	Metze	Smith, L	Ralston, Speaker
Coleman				

The following members were off the floor of the House when the roll was called:

Representatives Casas of the 107th, Cooper of the 43rd, Drenner of the 85th, Floyd of the 99th, Golick of the 40th, Jordan of the 77th, Morris of the 156th, Oliver of the 82nd, and Prince of the 127th.

They wished to be recorded as present.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Jeremy Morton, Pastor, Cartersville First Baptist Church, Cartersville, Georgia.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Representative Cheokas of the 138th, Chairman of the Committee on Information and Audits, reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received:

House of Representatives Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Room 611 Atlanta, Georgia 30334

1/20/16

Bill Reilly, Clerk

Reference Days Jan. 11 and 12 days absent due to hospitalization.

Due to an error this was not reported to the Clerk.

Please excuse me for the two days.

/s/ Rep. Hugh Floyd

Thanks

By unanimous consent, the following was established as the order of business during the first part of the period of unanimous consents:

- 1. Introduction of Bills and Resolutions.
- 2. First reading and reference of House Bills and Resolutions.
- 3. Second reading of Bills and Resolutions.

- 4. Reports of Standing Committees.
- 5. Third reading and passage of Local uncontested Bills.
- 6. First reading and reference of Senate Bills and Resolutions.

By unanimous consent, the following Bills and Resolutions of the House were introduced, read the first time and referred to the Committees:

HB 774. By Representatives Atwood of the 179th, Willard of the 51st, Williams of the 119th, Welch of the 110th, Jones of the 167th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 10 of Title 25 and Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of fireworks and general provisions regarding local government provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, respectively, so as to revise provisions relating to the sale, use, or explosion thereof; to revise the days, times, and locations in which consumer fireworks may be lawfully used or exploded; to revise places within this state where the use or explosion of consumer fireworks are prohibited; to provide for exceptions; to authorize counties and municipal corporations to further regulate the use or explosion of consumer fireworks; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Homeland Security.

HB 775. By Representatives Ehrhart of the 36th and Meadows of the 5th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the control of hazardous conditions, preventable diseases, and metabolic disorders, so as to provide for restrictions on the sale and dispensing of spectacles; to provide for definitions; to provide for violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries.

HB 776. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th and Thomas of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general insurance provisions, so as to provide that no health benefit plan shall refuse to pay or otherwise reimburse for a peroral endoscopic myotomy surgical procedure for the treatment of

achalasia; to provide for definitions; to provide for limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

HB 777. By Representatives Dudgeon of the 25th, Coleman of the 97th and Parsons of the 44th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-6-165 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to operation of school buses, so as to allow school bus drivers to use cellular telephones in a similar manner as a two-way radio; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Homeland Security.

HB 778. By Representatives Marin of the 96th, Abrams of the 89th and Waites of the 60th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-11-129 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to license to carry weapon and temporary renewal permit, so as to provide for training for certain persons licensed to carry a pistol or revolver; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Homeland Security.

HB 779. By Representatives Tanner of the 9th, Lumsden of the 12th, Watson of the 172nd, Hightower of the 68th, Prince of the 127th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to regulate the use of unmanned aircraft systems and images captured by such systems; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties and a civil right of action; to provide for venue; to amend Code Section 27-3-151 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to activity prohibited in the taking of wildlife, so as to regulate the use of unmanned aircraft systems in connection to hunting and fishing; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil.

HB 780. By Representatives Lott of the 122nd, Williamson of the 115th, Cooper of the 43rd, Fleming of the 121st, Sims of the 123rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-22-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to clinical laboratories, so as to provide that certain nondiagnostic laboratories are not subject to state licensure as a clinical laboratory; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HB 781. By Representatives Raffensperger of the 50th, Rynders of the 152nd, Jones of the 167th, Taylor of the 173rd, Broadrick of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 80 of Title 36, Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 45, and Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties, municipal corporations, and other governmental entities; general provisions regarding eligibility and qualifications for public office; and general provisions relating to state government, respectively, so as to require that individuals appointed to authorities, boards, councils, and commissions be United States citizens; to provide for other residency requirements; to provide for a definition; to provide for enforcement; to provide an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

HB 782. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Barr of the 103rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for the continuation of an alternative method of distribution of the net proceeds of the sales and use tax for educational purposes authorized under Article VIII, Section VI, Paragraph IV of the Constitution among the Hall County School District, Gainesville City School District, and Buford City School District; to provide for an effective date, applicability, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 783. By Representatives Broadrick of the 4th, Harden of the 148th, Parrish of the 158th and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to controlled substances, so as to change certain provisions relating to Schedules I and IV controlled substances; to change certain provisions relating to the definition of dangerous drug; to provide for restricted dangerous drugs; to provide for penalties for certain violations relating to restricted dangerous drugs and nonprescription injectable insulin; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HR 1031. By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Spencer of the 180th, Belton of the 112th, Benton of the 31st, Clark of the 98th and others:

A RESOLUTION encouraging the development of minority owned plasma centers; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Special Rules.

HR 1032. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Smyre of the 135th and Abrams of the 89th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Robert and Ardena Beasley and dedicating a bridge in their memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

HR 1033. By Representatives Marin of the 96th, McClain of the 100th, Floyd of the 99th, Bennett of the 94th, Kendrick of the 93rd and others:

A RESOLUTION requesting that the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners work to ease the traffic woes facing its constituents and listen to citizens' demands to increase mass transit options; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By unanimous consent, the following Bills and Resolution of the House were read the second time:

HB 724	HB 765
HB 766	НВ 767
HB 768	НВ 769
HB 770	HB 771

HB 772 HR 1017 HB 773

The following members were recognized during the period of Morning Orders and addressed the House:

Representatives Jackson of the 128th, Waites of the 60th, Caldwell of the 131st, Spencer of the 180th et al., Stovall of the 74th, Stover of the 71st and Corbett of the 174th.

Pursuant to HR 984, the House commended the Newnan-Coweta Chamber of Commerce for winning the 2015 National Chamber of the Year Award.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1055. By Representatives Sims of the 123rd, Howard of the 124th, Prince of the 127th, Frazier of the 126th, Smith of the 125th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 11, 2016, as Augusta University Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1056. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Teasley of the 37th, Turner of the 21st and Caldwell of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Patrick Price, the Strategic Planning, Initiatives, and Innovations Coordinator for the State Board of Pardons and Paroles; and for other purposes.

HR 1057. By Representatives Burns of the 159th and Hitchens of the 161st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing January 25, 2016, as Effingham County Day at the capitol; saluting the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce; and for other purposes.

HR 1058. By Representative Ramsey of the 72nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Jillian Martin upon being honored with the Girl Scout Gold Award; and for other purposes.

HR 1059. By Representative Ramsey of the 72nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ali Arisha upon being honored with the Girl Scout Gold Award; and for other purposes.

HR 1060. By Representative Cheokas of the 138th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Schley County Wildcats baseball team on winning its first baseball state championship; and for other purposes.

HR 1061. By Representatives Rogers of the 10th, Ralston of the 7th, Cheokas of the 138th, Lott of the 122nd, Coomer of the 14th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing January 27th, 2016, as Civil Air Patrol Day at the state capitol and commending the volunteers of the Civil Air Patrol for their service to the citizens of Georgia; and for other purposes.

HR 1062. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Turner of the 21st, Caldwell of the 20th, Ballinger of the 23rd and Carson of the 46th:

A RESOLUTION commending Hickory Flat Elementary School for being named a National Parent Teacher Association School of Excellence; and for other purposes.

HR 1063. By Representatives Greene of the 151st and Ealum of the 153rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Willie Ross, Jr., on the occasion of his 20th pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1064. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Nick Champion; and for other purposes.

HR 1065. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Nick Bowman; and for other purposes.

HR 1066. By Representatives Rogers of the 10th, Gasaway of the 28th and Williams of the 87th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing January 23, 2016, as Maxie Skinner Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1067. By Representatives Raffensperger of the 50th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Rice of the 95th and Willard of the 51st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Matthew Leonard; and for other purposes.

HR 1068. By Representatives Raffensperger of the 50th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Rice of the 95th and Willard of the 51st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Andrew Trent CoCo; and for other purposes.

HR 1069. By Representatives Epps of the 144th, Randall of the 142nd, Dickey of the 140th, Beverly of the 143rd and Peake of the 141st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending President William D. Underwood of Mercer University; and for other purposes.

HR 1070. By Representatives Coleman of the 97th, Rice of the 95th, Clark of the 101st, Barr of the 103rd, Marin of the 96th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Emma Denning upon being honored with the Girl Scout Gold Award; and for other purposes.

HR 1071. By Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Setzler of the 35th, Wilkinson of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Representative Harry C. Geisinger; and for other purposes.

HR 1072. By Representatives Sims of the 123rd and Ehrhart of the 36th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dyer Whitehurst; and for other purposes.

HR 1073. By Representatives Sims of the 123rd, Morris of the 156th and Williams of the 119th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Mr. R. Daniel Blanton, Chairman of the American Bankers Association; and for other purposes.

HR 1074. By Representative Ramsey of the 72nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Madeline Hervey upon being honored with the Girl Scout Gold Award; and for other purposes.

HR 1075. By Representatives Sims of the 123rd, Dudgeon of the 25th and Ehrhart of the 36th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Broughton Powell; and for other purposes.

HR 1076. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Sam Fulkerson; and for other purposes.

HR 1077. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Patton Robertson; and for other purposes.

HR 1078. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Samuel Pike; and for other purposes.

HR 1079. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Chris Ott; and for other purposes.

HR 1080. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Tyler Schwartz; and for other purposes.

HR 1081. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Michael Pike; and for other purposes.

HR 1082. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ryan Kahrs; and for other purposes.

HR 1083. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ben Albizzatti on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout; and for other purposes.

HR 1084. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Armaan Joseph; and for other purposes.

HR 1085. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Devin Helsper; and for other purposes.

HR 1086. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Michael Minick; and for other purposes.

HR 1087. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Brian Qualey; and for other purposes.

HR 1088. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending William Frits; and for other purposes.

HR 1089. By Representative Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ryan York; and for other purposes.

HR 1090. By Representative Rynders of the 152nd:

A RESOLUTION commending the Lee County Library System; and for other purposes.

Representative Burns of the 159th moved that the House do now adjourn until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning, and the motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced the House adjourned until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning.